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- 1. EMBOFFS DISCUSSED TOPIC OF S&T COOPERATION WITHIN CSCE WITH QUAI OFFICIALS RICHARD AND LOMBARD-PLATET. BOTH WILL BE IN GENEVA FOR RESUMPTION CSCE TALKS. RICHARD IS FRENCH COORDINATOR FOR BASKET II.
- 2. IN GENERAL, FRENCH RAISED NO OBJECTION TO U.S. VIEWS THOUGH IN SOME INSTANCES IT WAS OBVIOUS THAT THEY HAD NOT DEVELOPED A FIRM CONFIDENTIAL

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POSITION. THEY AGREED THAT EXISTING MULTILATERAL ORGANIZATIONS,

PARTICULARLY ECE, PROVIDED ADEQUATE FRAMEWORK FOR EXPANDING S&T COOPERATION. NEVERTHELESS, THEY POINTED OUT THAT IT WAS SOMEWHAT PREMATURE TO DRAW A FIRM LINE AGAINST NEW INSTITUTIONS; E.G. THEY DID NOT OBJECT TO THE FRG SPONSORED SCIENTIFIC FORUM. THE SUGGESTION THAT NATO SCIENCE COMMITTEE PROJECTS BE ADAPTED WITHIN THE ECE FRAMEWORK WAS RECEIVED WITHOUT COMMENT. LOMBARD-PLATET NOTED FRENCH POSITION FAVORING VOLUNTARY MULTILATERAL PROJECTS, I.E., PROJECTS FOR WHICH EACH COUNTRY WOULD RETAIN THE OPTION OF JOINING.

- 3. PER REF. B, SCIATT STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF LINKING PROGRESS ON S&T COOPERATION WITH PROGRESS IN FREEDOM OF HUMAN CONTACT AND IN INDUSTRIAL COOPERATION. FRENCH SAW ADVANTAGES TO THIS, NOTING THAT THE NECESSITY OF A CERTAIN DEGREE OF LINKAGE WAS EVIDENT. RICHARD PARTICULARLY SEEMED RECEPTIVE TO THIS IDEA, AND WE SUGGEST THAT THE U.S. DEL AT GENEVA MAKE AN APPROACH TO HIM ON THIS SUBJECT.
- 4. REGARDING THE LIST OF S&T PROJECTS, THE FRENCH AGREED THAT IT WAS NO MORE THAN A LIST OF ROUGH INDICATORS AND SEEMED PARTICULARLY PLEASED THAT THE U.S. DID NOT INTEND TO SUPPORT IT AS A DEFINITIVE LIST.

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